

ADVERTISEMENT.  
FROM THE  
New Assurance Office,  
Upon the LIVES of  
Men, Women and Children.

Lately Established at the Bell and Dragon in Portugal-Street, at  
Lincolns-Inn Back Gate.

**W**HICH is of that excellent Constitution, That by a Man's Assuring his Wife's Life and his own Life, for the Benefit of each other and their Children or Relations, there will come from this Office into the Family 500 *l.* upon the Death of both of them, viz 250 *l.* upon the Death of the First of them, and the like Sum of 250 *l.* whensoever the other Dies.

The Charge of each Subscriber will be only 7 s. 6 d. paid down at Subscribing, 5 s. thereof being for Policy Stamps and Entrance, and the other 2 s. 6 d. to go towards paying of the Claim of the next Subscriber that shall Die, and after that paid out, then 2 s. 6 d. to be paid by each Subscriber upon the Death of every other Subscriber, and 6 d. per Quarter towards defraying the Charge of the said Office.

A Widow may Assure in this Office for the Benefit of her Children or Grand-Children, or any other Friend or Relation; and any single Man or Woman may Assure upon each others Life, whether related or not; and if a Batchelor Assures in this Office for the Benefit of his Assigns, (if he dies unmarried) he may give by Will or otherwise dispose of the 250 *l.* to any Friend or Relation; and whensoever he marries, he may for one Shilling Charge, Settle it upon his Wife for a Joynture: Likewise it is very necessary for such as have Estates or Places for Life, to Assure in this Office. For hereby the Fatherless and Widow may be relieved in their distress, a Man provide for his Wife, and the Wife for her Husband, Parents provide for their Children, and Children for their Parents, and Friends and Relations for one another.

The Number of Subscribers are to be Two Thousand, and until that Number is compleat, this Office is not to lie still as some have Imagin'd, but each one to pay and receive in proportion to the Number of Subscribers. Any healthful Person not exceeding the Age of 55 Years may be a Subscriber in this Society, Provided, he or she Subscribes before the Eighth Day November, 1705. But no Person above the Age of Fifty will be admitted to Subscribe the next Year after: And so the Age of Subscribers to continue or be brought down as shall be thought fit by the Trustees and Majority of Subscribers, and no Childs Life to be Assured under the Age of 12 Years, and if a Person whose Life is Assured goes beyond Sea, or into the Wars, the Life may be changed.

This Office is to be managed under the Care and Inspection of the Master and Thirteen Trustees whose Names are mentioned in the Articles of Settlement, who are Men of unquestionable Reputation; And the same or Thirteen new Trustees to be Chosen every Year by the Majority of Subscribers, and for the true Payment and Performance, the Master of this Office hath given to the Trustees 700 *l.* Security. The Design of this Office is Just and Honourable, the Benefits and Advantages proposed Certain, and the Charge of each Subscriber but Small and Inconsiderable; which going out by little and little, may easily be saved by the Diligence and Industry of some, as well as spared out of the common daily Expences of others: Every Subscriber living in the Country may Depute some Person in London, or within the Weekly Bills of Mortality to Subscribe and receive notice of Claims, and to pay Contributions and Quarterage, or else may leave a Sum of Money in the said Office, for paying the same as becomes due.

The Articles of Settlement at large are to be seen and Subscribed unto, at the Bell and Dragon aforesaid, every Day except Holidays. The Office Hours are from 9 to 12, and from 2 till 6. And every first and third Thursday in the Month in the Afternoon the Trustees meet to approve Subscribers.

Note, That this good Design may be the better known, you are desired to hang or nail this Paper up in some Publick Room or Shop.



*The Heads or most material Things contained in the Articles of Settlement, of the Assurance upon the Lives of Men, Women and Children, lately Etablised at the Bell and Dragon, ( or Lincolns-Inn Eating-House ) at Lincolns-Inn Back-Gate, are as follow, viz.*

1. **I** *Mprimis*, Two Register Books to be kept in the Office for Entering the Names, Ages, and Habitations of the Subscribers, and Sum of Money paid upon every Persons Death; which at any time may be viewed and examined in the said Office by any one desirous to see the same.
2. 3. *Item*, Thirteen Trustees be Chosen by Majority of Subscribers every Year, Three of which shall make a Court to approve Subscribers, and Five to order any Claim to be paid.
4. *Item*, Every Subscriber shall have a Policy under the Seal of the Office. The form of which Policy is as followeth.

**T** *HIS* Policy of Assurance is given unto A. B. Contributor to the Society of Assurance, upon the Lives of Men, Women, and Children; who assureth upon the natural Life of him the said A. B. aged 30 Years or thereabouts, for the Benefit of C. B. E. B. and F. B. his Wife and Children, and the Survivors and Survivor of them upon the Joynt Stock and Credit of the said Society, began in the Liberties of the City of Westminster, the Eighth day of November, 1704. for payment of Two Hundred and Fifty Pounds of Lawful Money of England, unto H. B. &c. for the Use and Benefit of the said C. B. E. B. and F. B. the Wife and Children of the said A. B. and the Survivors and Survivor of them within Nine Weeks after the Death of the said A. B. Subject to the Conditions and Agreements mentioned in the Articles of Settlement of the said Society, Signed by the said A. B. as his Assent, Consent, and Agreement to the same, provided, That the said A. B. is, and shall be living at the End of Six Months to be accounted, from the Day of the Date of these presents.

In Witness whereof, the Seal of the said Office is hereunto Affixed, the — day of —  
Anno Dom. 1705.

Approved by the Trustees, R. I. Secretary.

§ J. B. Register.  
§ D. G. Comptroller.

The said Policy to be altered by the Subscriber at pleasure, paying One Shilling for the Stamps only.

5. *Item*, Upon the Death of any Person whose Life is assured, Notice to be given forthwith to the Office.

6. *Item*, Any Subscriber or Person, ( whose Life is assured ) living within the Weekly Bills of Mortality, is to be Viewed and Approved by the Visitor and Trustees, or any three of them. But if living in the Country, Affidavit to be made that He, or She is in good health, and under the Age of 55 Years: And a Certificate of the same from the Minister and two or three of the Inhabitants which being sent to the Office by a Friend living in London, such Person may be Approved; and a Quaker's Solemn Affirmation is to be taken instead of an Oath, as per Article the 16.

7. *Item*. The Visitor may visit such Subscribers as live within the Bill of Mortality.

8. *Item*, That if any Subscriber dyeth in the Wars, or at Sea, or in any Foreign Parts, the Policy to be void. But by Article the 18th the Name may be changed.

9. *Item*, When any Claim is paid, a printed Note to be sent to the House or Lodging of every Subscriber, and each Subscriber within Seven Days to pay into the Office 2 s. 6 d. towards the paying the next Claim. But Persons living in the Country may depute some one in London to pay and act for them.

10. *Item*, If any Subscriber or Person whose Life is assured, shall Dye at any time after Six Months after Subscribing, the Persons mentioned in the Policy to receive the Claim, is to receive 250 l. abating so many half Crowns as there wants of the Number of 2000 Subscribers, and 3 l. per Cent to be reserved towards defraying the Charge of the said Office.

11. *Item*, The Master of the said Office hath given 700 l. Security, and from time, to time, shall give good Security to the Trustees for payment and performances of these Articles.

12. *Item*, Every Subscriber to pay 6 d. per Quarter towards the further defraying the Charge of the Office.

13. *Item*, That if any Subscriber shall refuse to pay 2 s. 6 d. upon every Death, and the 6 d. per Quarter; the Trustees or any Five of them may exclude such Person.

14. *Item*, That if any Person whose Life is assured, shall commit any Crime whereby he or she shall be Sentenced to Death, his, or her Policy to be void.

15. *Item*, Mr. Charles Pratt, the Master of this Office, shall have Power to add, to alter, and amend any Article herein contained, Provided, the said Addition, Alteration, and Amendment be first proposed to the Trustees, and Approved by the Major Part of them, and the Majority of Subscribers,

The Form of the Certificate and Affidavit mentioned in the Article 6.

**W** E A. B. Rector of C. in the County of D. and E. F. and G. H. Church-Wardens of the same Parish, and I. K. Inhabitant of the said Parish. Do well know R. S. of the said Parish of C. Teoman, and do believe him or her to be in good State of Health, and under the Age of 30 Years.

**R. S.** Of C. in the County of D. Teoman, maketh Oath, That the Deponant to the best of his knowledge is under the Age of 30 Years, and that this Deponant hath not any known Distemper upon him.



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